

**An excerpt from a talk by Vernon Howard  
given on 10-11-78, Side 2 at 39 minutes.**

All right, let's have a little bit of clarification. Most certainly things happen. Get this – you have to think now. I never caused anything to happen good or bad. The worst super-sickie on earth never even murders another human being.

Hitler didn't start World War II in which millions of people were killed. No? He doesn't – there's no one there. There is a movement there. There is an unconscious mechanical movement that wrongly connects with an "I" that starts the war. That murders another human being. That can be vicious or cruel to another human being. There's no person – I've told you you are bragging if you think you are cruel. You are an egotist if you think of how vicious you've been to other people.

And you'll also then, of course, think they did it to you, right? If you can hurt other people than you have been hurt by other people. See, the two go together.

All right, now that's the lower level. On the higher level, the cosmic level – way up here. When we are no longer living our own confined little life, equally we don't do anything because the All, the Whole – capital A or capital W – is also the movement and my consciousness is a part of that movement but I didn't do anything because I don't exist as a separate self. But I am aware I am part of the whole movement. If I don't see that I'm a part of the whole movement I'll think that I am independent therefore I'll think this independent self has to get an advantage over you.

This is why society is as sick as it is. I want to be the boss, or I want the wage – the higher wage. Or I want the position. But if I'm part of the Whole, then do I want any – haven't I got it? If I'm part of the All, don't I have everything including victory over death?

You win victory over death by dying and now you should understand what that means.